

**PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016**  
**ACTIVITY CENTER**  
**12:00 NOON**

**Present:**

Greg A. Weitzel, Brent Martin, Linda Beard, P.J. Holm, Tim Reinke, Bill Combo, Jeff Forbes, Jim Hammon, Tom Hersh, Matt Hill, Steve Janes, Kerry Martin, Jill Kirkham, Kris Millgate, Dave Radford, Tom Hally

**Absent:**

Mike Davis, John LoBuono

**Guest Attendees:**

Lisa Jones, Robert Nitchke, Jennifer Stewart, Kerry McCullough, Mitch Plumber, Drew Brazier

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

B. Combo made a motion to approve minutes from the last meeting. Jim Hammon moved to accept as written. Matt Hill seconded. All in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Drew Brazier would like to advocate for Idaho Falls to build a new Recreation Complex. Will help in any way he can.

**CITIZEN REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORT**

Bob Nitchke reported on the final CRC Report. There were two themes throughout the report. First, more planning is needed. It is suggested that a City wide master plan is created for all parks followed by a comprehensive open space plan with progress reports.

Secondly, a Recreation Complex to help with mainlining outdated facilities and to centrally house programs. Discussion ensues.

Tom Hersh motioned to recommend to City Council to develop a Recreation Complex Development Feasibility Study Committee comprised of three (3) Parks and Recreation Commission Members, three (3) Parks and Recreation Citizen Review Committee Members and six (6) at large members from the community. Matt Hill seconded. All in favor.

Jeff Forbes suggested working with INL for facility funding as other businesses have done.

Bill Combo 2016 Commission Chair by ballot vote.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Greg Weitzel**

- Waved due to time constrictions.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**Golf – Tim Reinke**

- Holiday Sale updates.
- Bringing Council Presentation at a future date.

**Zoo – Linda Beard**

- No report.

**Recreation – P.J. Holm**

- Spring/Summer Discover Idaho Falls using new designer. Hopefully will have an updated feel.
- Grant has been submitted for a restroom at Idaho Falls Raceway at Noise Park.
- General division updates.

**Parks/Cemeteries – Brent Martin**

- Plowed snow from downtown, fire stations and pathways.
- Assisted with all Festival of Lights preparations.

- Picnic table prep to ready for spring placement.
- Cemetery Updates.

**BONNEVILLE COUNTY – D. Radford**

- 400 miles of trails being groomed. New parking area and turn around needed at Willowcreek Inn road.
- Thanks to Brent for filling in for Greg at \$h relocation meeting.

**GOLF REPORT – Tom Hersh**

- No Report.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT #91 – Kerry Martin**

- Still in rotation to host state cross country competitions, however application for permanent site status was rejected.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT #93 – Mike Davis (absent)**

- No Report.

**SHADE TREE COMMITTEE – Matt Hill**

- Arbor Day May 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

**MEETING ADJURNED AT 1:39 P.M.**

*Recorded by  
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